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1. The large-scale withdrawals of Red Army troops from Bernburg (D-76) and area, [redacted] duly took place between early December 1946 and Christmas. Only about thirty officers and 175 RM now remain in the town. The withdrawals took place in small groups of twenty to thirty men who travelled by train. There were no large-scale movements at all. Officers who had private billets packed their belongings and left on short notice.

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2. Up to the time of these withdrawals the troops stationed in and around Bernburg consisted of a tank division, an artillery division, and a reserve division, each commanded by a General, who, with their staffs, are still in Bernburg. Contrary to the usual practice, these three Generals are remaining until the whole of their formations have reached their new and unknown destination.

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3. Prior to the withdrawals, mortar and Stalin Orgeln troops were stationed in the barracks in the Waldau district of Bernburg. These barracks are now completely empty and it is thought that they will be occupied by refugees. As the troops quartered there were leaving, forty Air Force vehicles appeared from the garages in the barracks and left by road in the direction of Dessau, where they were seen the following day standing just south of the Elbe near Rosslau. Some Stalin Orgeln left by train, direction unknown.

4. The concentration area for the troops withdrawing from Bernburg is at Klein Wanzleben (D-49). The three Generals referred to in paragraph 2 travel regularly to and from Klein Wanzleben.

5. All Ortskommandanten in the towns surrounding Bernburg of the rank of major and under have been replaced by Lieutenant Colonels. The Adjutants of the Ortskommandatur now combine their work with the post of Wirtschaftsoffizier.

6. The military gasoline dump in Bernburg is no longer in use.

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